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RE: Docket No. 2008-0083 – In the Matter of the Application of Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc. for Approval of Rate Increases and Revised Rate Schedules and Rules.

Dear Commissioners and Staff:

The Commission's Order Approving, with Modifications, Stipulated Procedural Schedule was filed on January 15, 2009 and established the stipulated regulatory schedule for Docket No. 2008-0083. By letter, filed on January 20, 2009, Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc. ("HECO"), on behalf of HECO, the Department of Defense ("DOD"), and the Division of Consumer Advocacy ("Consumer Advocate") (HECO, DOD, and the Consumer Advocate are collectively referred to as the "Parties") requested an amendment to the Schedule of Proceedings in the Stipulated Procedural Order which the Commission approved on January 21, 2009. The Consumer Advocate, submits for the Commission's approval, amendments to the procedural deadlines set forth in the January 21, 2009 Order.

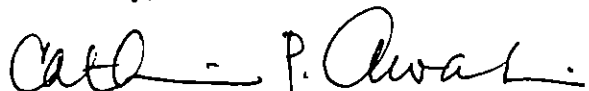
Due to scheduling demands, schedule conflicts beyond the Consumer Advocate's control, and a desire to provide out-of-state consultants with adequate time to conduct their analyses and address HECO's Rebuttal Testimonies filed on May 22, 2009, the Consumer Advocate respectfully requests the Commission's approval for the proposed amended regulatory schedule to allow adequate time to conduct discovery and prepare for evidentiary hearing. Specifically, the Consumer Advocate respectfully requests that the Commission approve an enlargement of time, pursuant to Hawaii Administrative Rules ("HAR") §§ 6-61-23 and 6-61-41, and approve the proposed amended regulatory schedule. The current stipulated regulatory schedule provides for Consumer Advocate and DOD Rebuttal Information Requests ("RIRs") on June 12, 2009 (revenue requirements) and June 17, 2009 (cost of service/rate design). The Consumer Advocate seeks Commission approval to extend the due dates for both sets

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of RIR's (i.e., revenue requirement and cost of service/rate design) to July 8, 2009. In addition, the Consumer Advocate seeks approval to extend the due date for HECO's comprehensive responses to the RIRs from July 2, 2009 (revenue requirements) and July 7, 2009 (cost of service/rate design) to July 28, 2009.¹

Based upon the above concerns and pursuant to discussions between the Parties, the Parties respectfully request that the Commission approve the proposed amendments to the Stipulated Amended Regulatory Schedule. HECO does not object to the Consumer Advocate's request to extend the due date for RIRs from June 12, 2009 (revenue requirements) and June 17, 2009 (cost of service/rate design) to July 8, 2009 and to extend the due date for responses to the RIRs from July 2, 2009 (revenue requirements) and July 7, 2009 (cost of service/rate design) to July 28, 2009, contingent on no other dates, including the date of the interim decision and order of July 2, 2009, in the Schedule of Proceedings in the Order Amending Stipulated Procedural Order, issued on January 21, 2009 in Docket No. 2008 0083 being revised as a result. Changes to the dates of other procedural steps should not be necessary since the due dates for responses to RIRs in the current Schedule of Proceedings are on or after July 2, 2009 and the proposed due date for responses to RIRs will still be before the evidentiary hearings scheduled for the week of August 10, 2009. DOD has also represented that they have no objections to the request for extension. DOD has already filed two sets of RIRs on June 3, 2009 and June 9, 2009 respectively.

Sincerely,



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¹ This amendment would be contingent on no other dates being revised, including the date of the interim decision and order of July 2, 2009, in the Schedule of Proceedings in the Order Amending Stipulated Procedural Order, issued on January 21, 2009 in Docket No. 2008-0083. The Consumer Advocate intends to submit those RIRs prepared to date on June 12, 2009, and plans to supplement such RIRs on or before July 8, 2009.